

Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, November 29, 2016)
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1. JOINT MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY AND THE ST. MARY'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Commissioner President Guy called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy
Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt
Commissioner Tom Jarboe
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator

Board of Education

Ms. Karin Bailey, Chairman
Ms. Mary Washington, Vice Chairman
Ms. Kathy Allen
Mr. Daniel Carney
Ms. Rita Bailey
Mr. J. Scott Smith, Superintendent

Presenters

Mr. Michael Blackwell, Director, St. Mary's County Library
Dr. Jeff Walker, Asst. Superintendent of Supporting Services

White House Library Card Challenge

Mr. Blackwell explained the White House Library Challenge and asked the Commissioners and BOE to join him in signing the White House Library Challenge Commitment Statement.

I move to adopt the Commitment Statement as presented by Mr. Blackwell.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan

I move to adopt the Commitment Statement as presented by Mr. Blackwell.

Motion by Kathy Allen, second by Rita Bailey.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Karin Bailey, Mary Washington, Kathy Allen, Daniel Carney, Rita Bailey, J. Scott Smith

The White House Library Challenge Commitment Statement was signed.

Board of Education CIP Projects Overview

Dr. Walker provided the status of FY2017 projects and discussed projected projects for FY2018.

Technology Updates

Dr. Walker discussed the growth of technology in the school system and resources needed.

St. Mary's County Public School Highlights for 2017.

Mr. Smith discussed highlights of the public schools which included enrollment, students receiving special services, attendance, average class size, educational pathways enrollment graduation rate and early childhood education.

Commissioner President Guy closed the joint meeting at 10:15am.

2. WELCOME

Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy
Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt
Commissioner Tom Jarboe
Commissioner Todd B. Morgan
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Sharon Ferris, Recorder

Absent: John E. O'Connor

Commissioner President Guy called the business meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to order at 11:00 am in the Chesapeake Building meeting room, Governmental Center.

Approval of Minutes

I move to approve the Minutes of November 15, 2016 as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Tom Jarboe.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner Tom Jarboe, Commissioner Todd B. Morgan

3. PROCLAMATION

A Proclamation was presented to Bernard A. Mayor on the occasion of his Retirement from the Sheriff's Office.

4. MAIN AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

A. COMPENSATION REVIEW COMMISSION

Present: Pat Dolan, Chairman

Mr. Dolan summarized the process used by the Compensation Review Commission to make their recommendations.

I move to authorize the Commissioner President to sign the transmittal letter forwarding the recommendations of the 2016 Compensation Review Commission to the Delegation for their consideration.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Tom Jarboe.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Jarboe, Morgan

Nay: Commissioner Hewitt

B. DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION – Leonardtown Library & Garvey Senior Activity Center Replacement Facilities Update

Present: George Erichsen, Director, Dept. of Public Works & Transportation
Antonio Rebelo, AIA and Sr. Associate, Grimm + Parker Architect
Jay Carcia, Niykos Inc., Kitchen Design Consultant
Kari Mackey, PA, Grimm + Parker Architect

Four design options for the Garvey Center were presented to the Commissioners for discussion and decision.

A vote on this issue was deferred until the next meeting.

C. COUNTY ATTORNEY - Request for Public Hearing on Ordinance to provide for an Alternate Member of the St. Mary's County Planning Commission

Present: George Sparling

The proposed ordinance would amend Chapter 286 of the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland to restate the establishment of the St. Mary's County Planning Commission and Amend Chapter 285 by repealing §20.2.

I move to authorize the Office of the County Attorney to schedule a public hearing on the proposed ordinance to provide for an Alternate Member of the St. Mary's County Planning Commission.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan

D. COUNTY ATTORNEY - Agenda for Joint Meeting with St. Mary's County Legislative Delegation

Present: George Sparling

The following items to be carried forward to the Joint Delegation Meeting on December 6, 2016 were discussed.

2017 LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS					
NUMBER	PROPOSAL	SUMMARY	COMMENT	VOTE	
		COMMISSIONER INITIATIVE			
1	Chapter 113 METCOM	<i>draft legislation for amendments to Chapter 113-1 and 113-30</i>			
		DEPARTMENT INITIATIVES			
2	Chapter 96 Public Facility Bonds	<i>increase in public facility bonds</i>	Revise dollar amount from \$53,000,000 to \$26,300,000.		
3	PL Article 13-129 Dog and kennel licenses	<i>an amendment regarding transfer of dog tags to ES&T</i>			

4	Chapter 49 Emergency Services Tax	<i>amend the emergency services tax</i>			
SUPPORT					
5	NEW	<i>support or draft legislation for the Historical Preservation Commission initiative to protect burial grounds</i>			
<u>MOTION #1:</u>					
“I MOVE TO FORWARD ITEMS NUMBERED 1-5 ABOVE FOR DISCUSSION AT THE JOINT DELEGATION MEETING.”					
Motion: Commissioner Tom Jarboe					
Second: Commissioner Todd B. Morgan					
Motion passed					
Vote: Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan					
Absent: Commissioner O’Connor					
REPEALS					
SUMMARY IN SECTION 6					
Repeals are acknowledged as lesser priorities.					
6	Repeal CHAPTER 8 Auditing Requirements	I move to request repeal of Chapter 8. Auditor of the Code of St. Mary’s County, Maryland.			
7	Repeal CHAPTER 19 Circuit Court Personnel	I move to request repeal of Chapter 19. Circuit Court of Code of St. Mary’s County, Maryland.	Failed in 2016 Session		
8	Repeal CHAPTER 38 Electricians and Board of Electrical Examiners	I move to request repeal of Chapter 38 Electrical Examiners of the Code of St. Mary’s County, Maryland.			
9	Repeal CHAPTER 43 Farm Fences	I move to request repeal of Chapter 43 Fences of the Code of St. Mary’s County, Maryland.			
10	Repeal CHAPTER 54 Foxes and Hounds	I move to request repeal of Chapter 54 Foxes of the Code of St. Mary’s County, Maryland.			

11	Repeal CHAPTER 73 Land Records	I move to request repeal of Chapter 73 Land Records of the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland.			
12	Repeal CHAPTER 77 Licensing and Operation of Amusement Devices	I move to request repeal of Chapter 77 Licenses of the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland.			
13	Repeal CHAPTER 92 Local Plumbing Code	I move to request repeal of Chapter 92 Plumbing Code of the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland.			
14	Repeal CHAPTER 106 Retirements and Pensions	I move to request repeal of Chapter 106 Retirements and Pensions of the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland.			
15	Repeal CHAPTER 131 Tax Exemptions	I move to request repeal of Chapter 131 Tax Exemptions of the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland.			
16	Repeal CHAPTER 136 Mobile Home Parks	I move to request repeal of Chapter 136 Trailers of the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland.			
17	Repeal CHAPTER 144 Vocational Training Facility	I move to request repeal of Chapter 144 Vocational Training Facility of the Code of St. Mary's County, Maryland.			

MOTION #2:

“I MOVE TO RENEW THE REQUEST FOR REPEAL OF DESIGNATED CHAPTERS OF ST. MARY’S COUNTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ESTABLISHED PRIORITIES.”

Motion: Commissioner Todd B. Morgan

Second: Commissioner Tom Jarboe

Motion passed

Vote: Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan

Absent: Commissioner O’Connor

5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR DECEMBER 6 & 13, 2016

B. DEPT. OF AGING & HUMAN SERVICES - FY2017 State Grants Notification of Grant Award

I move to: 1) approve the FY2017 State Grants Notification of Grant Award project #'s MD1701, 1702, 1704, 1706 and 1714 from the Maryland Department of Aging on behalf of the St. Mary's County Department of Aging & Human Services for programs and services for the seniors of St. Mary's County in the amount of \$94,649, 2) approve the related budget amendments that include increasing grant funds by \$12,932 and reducing County funding by \$384, and 3) authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan

C. DEPT. OF AGING AND HUMAN SERVICES - Revised FY2017 Notification of Grant Award (NGA) for Year 1 of the Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)

I move to approve the revised FY2017 Notification of Grant Award for the Retired & Senior Volunteer Program grant project #US1710 from the Corporation for National & Community Service in the amount of \$43,500 Federal Funding and authorize the Department Head to submit electronically consistent with the document reviewed by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County and to approve the budget amendment to increase the Federal Funding by \$3,500, and to authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Tom Jarboe.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan

D. DEPT. OF HUMAN RESOURCES - Emergency Communication Specialists

I move to approve promotions to grandfather nine (9) Emergency Communication Specialists for participation in revised promotional policies effective August 15, 2016 and also, approve and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the corresponding budget amendment authorizing utilization of the Commissioners' Emergency Reserve for \$44,220 to fund the one time pay adjustment resulting from this participation.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan

E. DEPT. OF RECREATION & PARKS - Amendment to Contract for Sale of Real Estate

I move to approve the Amendment to Contract for Sale of Real Estate by and between the Fortier Farm Limited Partnership and the Commissioners of St. Mary's County and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan

F. COUNTY ATTORNEY - James River Solutions LLC Settlement Agreement and Release

I move to approve and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the James River Solutions LLC Settlement Agreement and Release with an allocation of the settlement proceeds to be recommended by fiscal and procurement personnel of the St. Mary's County government in consultation with fiscal and procurement personnel of the St. Mary's County Public Schools.

Motion by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan, second by Commissioner Tom Jarboe.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan

6. COMMISSIONERS' TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events attended over the past week and provided general comments.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

I move to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Litigation and Personnel Issues.

Motion by Commissioner Tom Jarboe, second by Commissioner Todd B. Morgan.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Hewitt, Jarboe, Morgan

LITIGATION

PRESENT:

James R. Guy, President
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Tom Jarboe, Commissioner
Todd M. Morgan, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator

George Sparling, County Attorney
Christine Fleming, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(2) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 1:15pm - 1:19pm

Purpose: To discuss litigation.

PERSONNEL

PRESENT:

James R. Guy, President
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
Tom Jarboe, Commissioner
Todd M. Morgan, Commissioner
Dr. Rebecca Bridgett, County Administrator
Catherine Pratson, Director, Human Resources
Christine Fleming, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(1) of the *Local Government* Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 1:20pm - 1:29pm

Purpose: To discuss personnel issue.

8. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 1:29 pm.

Minutes Approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on 12/6/16

SLF
Sharon Ferris, Senior Administrative Coordinator